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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **APD Detectives seek public's assistance in robberies**

The Austin Police Department's Robbery Unit is seeking the public's assistance to help identify suspects responsible for three convenience store robberies.

The first robbery (Case #09-0502174) occurred at 9:49 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009, at the MLK Food Mart located at 2915 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Three males wearing hoods and masks entered the store and robbed the clerk at gunpoint.

The second robbery (Case #09-0520602) occurred at 4:25 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2009, at the Speedy Stop located at 1660 E. 51<sup>st</sup> Street. Two males wearing jackets with hoods and masks entered the store and robbed the clerk at gunpoint.

The third robbery occurred (Case #09-0560185) occurred at 2:10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2009, at the 7-11 located at 9406 Dessau Road. Two males wearing jackets with hoods and masks entered the store and robbed the clerk at gunpoint.

The suspects in all three cases were described as: possibly Hispanic males, approximately 5'5" to 5'7" in height, and were of medium builds. They were wearing black or dark colored hoodies, masks, dark pants, and dark gloves.

APD Detectives and TCSO believe the suspects are responsible for two convenience store robberies in Travis County on East Highway 290 and Bluff Springs Road.

Individuals with any information about these robberies or the suspects are asked to call the Robbery hotline at 974-5092 or CrimeStoppers at 472-8477.

**Media advisory:** Photos of the suspects are attached. A Detective will be available at 1:30 p.m. today at APD Headquarters to provide on camera interviews. Please call APD PIO if you plan to attend.

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